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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

C. M. Williams is in Omaha this week on legal business.

There is certainly no lack of moisture for wheat this year. For that reason there should be no danger from freezing.

Ralph Easley who was formerly editor of the News has resigned the position of secretary of the civic federation of Chicago and will now act as secretary of the National civic federation.

A report arrived in this city on Tuesday that Mrs. J. S. Self of this city who was traveling overland to Oklahoma with her son had an arm shot off near Kingman by an accidental discharge of a gun.

On Friday Mr. Frank Kerr who has made his home with ye editor for the last six years and who has made many friends in this city, left for Muscatine, Iowa. He expects to secure work there and if so will remain permanently.

Solon Gray of Sterling was in the city last Saturday on business. Mr. Gray is and long has been one of the prominent populists of that county. He is in common with the rest of us feel a little disheartened but not dismayed.

S. F. Mead, of Hutchinson, has opened a cigar factory in the old Woodruff stand and will soon be ready for your custom. Mr. Mead comes well recommended, and we bespeak for him a liberal patronage, as he handles none but first class goods.—Kingman Journal.

The hand boys are thinking of giving another minstrel show again this year. For several years they have given one each year and with success, theatrically and financially. About the same talent is here now that made the one last year so much of a success.

So much thunder and lightning at so late a time in the season as occurred last Friday is something very unusual. Lightning struck a chimney to a house on Avenue A East during the shower, but without doing further damage than causing a commotion among inhabitants.

About a dozen of the prominent citizens of Nickerson appeared before the board of county commissioners last week to protest against the action of the board in equalizing taxes. They claimed that surroundings being considered the board had been too hard on them.

J. B. Holland, who has been proprietor of the Brunswick hotel for some months died quite suddenly Thursday morning. His malady is given out as heart failure. He had been in rather hard luck for some time it is said, which is supposed to have had something to do with his death.

It will pay our readers well to read our advertisements. For instance there is the carpet sale ad of H. King on one of the inside pages. If you want to catch bargains you should find out where they are. You can do it in no other way than by reading the advertisements.

Last Friday night a rather small horse with a wild eye, a ruffed coat and an appearance of having had a little affair of his own, turned in at Bud Long's livery barn and asked as well as a horse could for board and lodging. He had a harness on, or at least a part of one, and a remnant of some sort of a vehicle was still clinging to the harness. It was very evidently the last end of a runaway.

An agent of the mule department of the British government who has been purchasing for service in the Transvaal in this part of the country says that up to date his government has purchased in Missouri, Kansas, Texas and Oklahoma, 46,000 mules and that it expects to continue to purchase them for use in the Queen's army. No wonder there is prosperity in the mule market.

The grand bazaar of the St. Teresa's parish of the Catholic church has been holding forth at the Shaw Theatre. It is a church fair which is a success. The booths are tasty indeed and present an appearance which might cause a professional window dresser to become envious. The various walks of life are represented in their place and the members of the parish take an active interest.

The new wheat is this year making the greatest fall growth ever known. A short trip up the Santa Fe will show a great many fields that have made too much growth and are in need of pasturing. In fact there are not in many places enough stock to keep the wheat pastured down to where it should be. News comes from some places that the farmers are actually mowing the wheat to keep it from jointing before cold weather. The Hessian fly is said to have made havoc in McPherson county last year and it is feared the infected territory may spread. Pasturing is said to be the best preventive.

One of the most rapidly growing institutions in the city of Hutchinson is the American Steam Laundry. The plant with which they started something like a dozen years ago was a very meagre affair indeed compared with the one now operating. Only a year or two ago the proprietors purchased the large brick block in which they have been located and now they are just completing an addition to the rear end all of brick which is about as large as the original building. The business growth of the firm is of course responsible for this necessary increase in capacity. Their trade comes from all over western Kansas and Oklahoma.

According to the recent census the population of Reno county is 29,327. This puts Reno county fifth in the State. These figures are officially announced from Washington. There is probably an itchy feeling among some of our county officers, as their salaries are based on population. If there were seventy-five more people in the county so as to bring the number up to 30,000 it would be a good many dollars in their pockets.

Mr. Toby DeMuth who has the work of repairing the Arkansas river bridge claims that our article last week about the teams driving into the hole at the end of the bridge misstated the facts, saying that the repairers of the bridge had left the hole without railing or signals. He claims that he had placed the railing around the hole. Of course the editor has no personal knowledge and can only state what is told him. When there is a disagreement of course it should be so stated.

Mr. F. P. McGuire of Haven township was in the city on Monday after having been in Wichita for two or three weeks being treated for a cancer on his upper lip. When he was in the city a short time before election his lip presented a very bad appearance indeed. But it is now healed up almost entirely and from all indications it will not trouble him much more. Mr. McGuire is one of the well to do and enterprising farmers of the county and it is gratifying to know that his prospects for total recovery are so good.

The country commissioners have contracted for the furnishings for the new court house and they will be placed in position as soon as the work of inclosing the building has sufficiently proceeded. The electric lighting will be done or rather the materials furnished by an Ohio company and will cost a little less than \$500. The vault fixtures will be the most expensive and will cost about \$3,500. They will be furnished by a St. Louis company, and are to be ready for use by March 1st. The furniture for the offices will cost about \$3,500. All together the furnishings will cost about \$7,500.

The Interstate Telephone Co. which secured a franchise from the city council to put in a new and competing telephone line has not done much work and there has been considerable talk that it would give up the project. Under the ordinance a forfeit of \$1,000 was required to be deposited to insure the fulfillment of the contract. The attorneys for the company however declare that the company has no notion of quitting and as they have commenced the work by putting up some of the poles have so far protected the forfeit. It is greatly to be hoped that the company will complete the work and cut in the system. If not then the city should certainly hold fast to that \$1,000.

A young man by the name of Joe Miller, or who was numbered by that name in the reformatory and escaped there from on the second of October, was captured in Kansas City last Friday or Saturday. His real name was Jason Hammond, but as he had broken jail at some place in Missouri before he got into the trouble at Paola on account of which he was sent here, he concluded it would be convenient to wear a different one. Some time ago the authorities at the reformatory decided to adopt the plan of taking and filing away a negative of each inmate when he entered the institution, so that in case of an escape photographs could be printed from it and pasted to the cards sent out with the description. This system has resulted in the capture of several escapes of which this was one.

Some miscreant who has almost too little sense to be called a human hacked the window casings at the new court house Monday night and committed several other acts of vandalism as bad about the new structure. Among them was the cutting of a large cable that held the lattice derrick in place to the roof, so that it fell to the ground and was broken. The contractor and the county commissioners are looking for the individual.

Most of the churches of the city last Sunday held special services of thanksgiving. Accompanying the sermons which were appropriate to the thanks giving occasion were various special features. At the Presbyterian church were held the annual harvest home services, and the church was decorated with many evidences of the bountiful harvests bestowed by Him who rules the seasons. Bunches of fruit, sheaves

of golden grain all in the elegance of nature were used in decoration. At the M. E. church a special program had been prepared in which the juveniles assisted and a special musical program also added interest to the occasion. At the Lutheran church Rev. Reitzel preached an appropriate thanks giving sermon and in the evening the Endeavorers held a special consecration service.

All druggists guarantee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to anyone who is not satisfied after using two-thirds of its contents. This is the best remedy in the world for la grippe, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

Found Insane.

Last Saturday an old soldier by the name of John B. Rickets was given a trial in the probate court to determine his sanity. He is about sixty years of age and has not been very strong for many years though able to do some work until the commencement of this mental trouble which dates from last July. He came here from McPherson county last winter and has lived on a farm since. The jury found him to be of unsound mind and he will be sent to one of the State asylums as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by the Probate Judge since our last issue:

E. W. McInturf to Stella Hoffman both of Hutchinson.

W. W. Nichols, Blackwell Okla. to Addie Schall of Hutchinson.

Henry T. Hale of Clay township to Goldie Burns of Hutchinson.

G. T. Kerr of Elkton Okla. to Mary Dark of Cheney, Kans.

To remove a troublesome corn or bunion: First soak the corn or bunion in warm water to soften it, then pare it down as closely as possible without drawing blood and apply Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice daily; rubbing vigorously for five minutes at each application. A corn plaster should be worn for a few days, to protect it from the shoe. As a general liniment for sprains, bruises, lameness and rheumatism, Pain Balm is unequalled. For sale by all druggists.

Attend the anniversary sale at the Hutchinson Furniture Co.

The Santa Fe now run an elegant Pullman sleeper which starts from Hutchinson daily at 10:15 p. m. arriving at Kansas City 7:30 a. m.



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The celebrated specialist, has returned and located permanently for another year. His home and office is at Hotel Brunswick, where he will treat Chronic Diseases of all kinds in both sexes. His marvelous cures in Hutchinson during last year is the only recommendation needed. He fills his own prescriptions, hence no drug bills to pay. Consultation free to all. Charges moderate. Hours 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Persons Too Poor to pay will be treated free on Fridays. Consultation free to all. Charges moderate. Hours 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.

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Shelf and Heavy Hardware, Stoves and Carriages.

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Hutchinson, Kansas.



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MAKES THE DIFFERENCE.



Santa Fe Route Special Car for Hutchinson.

Do you know that Santa Fe Route has put on sleeping car service especially to Hutchinson. Car leaves on No. 8 every night at 10:15 p. m. remaining on our track during the day. You can take sleeper at Kansas City at 10:00 p. m. for Hutchinson arriving here 8:27 next A. M. Remember this when you are returning home from your trip east. No other line can give you these accommodations. C. A. Walker, Agent.

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A sovereign remedy for headache or stomach trouble.

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For all blood or kidney troubles, and

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For colds, LaGrippe, Bronchitis and similar lung trouble.

These remedies have been in use in this and adjoining counties for some time and are giving excellent results. Voluntary testimonials are numerous. The above remedies are for sale at

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Or can be secured of the General Agent.

Only \$2.00 for a nice low berth on the 0:15 Santa Fe to Kansas City.

If you are contemplating a trip to Kansas City call up phone No. 25 for a lower berth on the Santa Fe 10:15 p. m. train.

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Good Goods at all Prices—No Trash at Any Price.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING

And St. Nicholas has decided to make our store his headquarters. He has sent us a full Supply of *Holiday Goods* to show what he will have for his little ones. He has

Toys of all kinds for the children, a full line Celluloid Novelties and Opal Ware in all styles, Imported Wedgewood Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Work Boxes, Manicure Sets and Dressing Cases; fine Mitts, Ties, Handkerchiefs, Gloves for children, ladies and gentlemen; Silver Novelties, Games of all kinds and many other things you will see when you visit our store.

Come early and select your Holiday Goods before the assortment is broken. We have marked our entire stock very low for the Holiday trade, and it will pay you to come and see us.
Yours Respectfully,

IRVAN & CRAWFORD.
Corner Second and Main. Hutchinson, Kansas.

GOODS

Just Aching to be Sold. They'll not Ache Long, Though.

We are rapidly piling up our Holiday stock, and we are in a position right now to say that we have never before had

Such a Stock, Such a Variety, Such Low Prices.

Last week we received our wooden toys and the outlay would be a delight to that boy or girl of yours.

We have been Shaving Prices, too.

Red chair, like cut 20c
2-wheel cart, tin tire 10c
4-wheel doll carriage, willow bed 25c
4-wheel all steel express wagon 80c

Our Hobby Horses, Shoo-Flies, Sleds, etc., are all in but not put together yet, but "Our boys" are working hard and we will soon have them all ready.

We believe in games for children. It keeps them amused; it keeps them at home, and makes them think. So this year we have loaded up on every good game we ever heard of. We have

HICKERY DICKERY DOCK

Authors	5c	ABC blocks	10c
Dominoes	5c	Building blocks	10c
Checkers	5c	Lotto	10c
Old Maid	5c	Backgammon	10c
Crokinole Board, a fine game, beautifully finished board	\$1.25		
Archery, can play 20 games upon it, regularly \$4.00	2.50		

Of course we have Dolls, Books, Iron Toys, Fine China, Lamps, and all the other good things for Christmas but we will have to tell you about those later on. Toys for the little ones and presents for the older folks will be found on our

5c, 10c and 25c Counters.

While we have you in the mood for Christmas stuff, don't forget that our China Ware, Tinware, and Hardware are being pushed to make room, and while we are pushing it we are making prices that will surprise you. Stop at

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The Oldest, the Largest Bank in the Valley.

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